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SUBJECT: REVIEW OF LOCAL CONTENT REQUIREMENTS

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1. MOST OF THE QUESTIONS IN REFTEL REALLY DO NOT APPLY TO PAKISTAN. THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC PRODUCTS ON WHICH A LEVEL OF LOCAL CONTENT IS REQUIRED AND THERE ARE NO SPECIFIC LEVELS FOR WHAT MIGHT BE CALLED AN LCR.

2. AS A MATTER OF ROUTINE, PAKISTAN TRIES TO SATISFY ITS REQUIREMENTS FROM DOMESTIC SOURCES AND IS UNLIKELY TO ISSUE AN IMPORT LICENSE OR AUTHORIZE FOREIGN EXCHANGE FOR AN IMPORT (ESPECIALLY ONE FINANCED WITH FREE FOREIGN EXCHANGE) WHEN THERE IS A DOMESTIC ALTERNATIVE. HOWEVER, ALL SUCH DECISIONS ARE ON A CASE-BY-CASE BASIS.

3. CONSIDERING PAKISTAN'S EXCEEDINGLY ADVERSE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PROSPECTS AND ITS DWINDLING FOREIGN EXCHANGE RESERVES, IT IS UNLIKELY THAT PAKISTAN COULD BE PERSUADED TO MAKE A CHANGE IN ITS FUNDAMENTAL IMPORT PROCEDURES. SINCE THE REAL CONSTRAINT ON U.S. EXPORTS TO PAKISTAN IS FOREIGN EXCHANGE AVAILABILITIES, THERE SEEMS LITTLE
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POINT IN TRYING TO NEGOTIATE A CHANGE.

4. THE IMPACT ON PAKISTAN'S DEVELOPMENT EFFORT OF A CHANGE WOULD NOT BE LARGE. PAKISTAN'S IMPORT RESTRICTIVE MEASURES ARE MAINLY FOR BALANCE OF PAYMENTS AND NOT FOR DEVELOPMENT PURPOSES.
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